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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Igor Gonda et al.

Serial No.: 10/768,371

Group Art Unit: 3761

Filed: January 30, 2004

Examiner: Lewis, Aaron J.

For: A Method Of Treating Diabetes Mellitus In A Patient

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))**

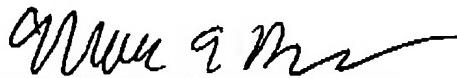
Commissioner for Patents  
 P. O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice of Appeal dated December 22, 2005 be extended for a period of 5 months from February 22, 2006 to July 22, 2006. As July 22, 2006 fell on a Saturday, Applicants are filing this petition for an extension of time on the next official business day, July 24, 2006. Applicants hereby petition for such extension of time.

Please charge the required fee, estimated to be \$2,160.00 with this application and to credit any overpayments to Novo Nordisk Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. Please charge any additional fees, should they be required, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: July 24, 2006

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